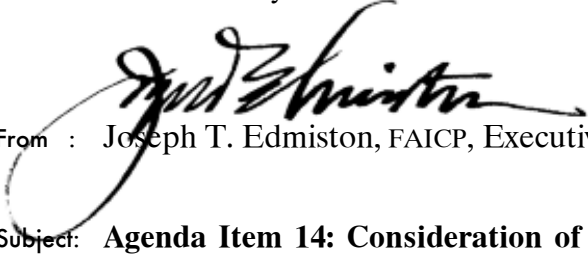


Memorandum

To : The Conservancy
The Advisory Committee

Date: October 24, 2005

From :  Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Executive Director

Subject: **Agenda Item 14: Consideration of resolution authorizing (a) a grant agreement with the Wildlife Conservation Board for the acquisition of APN's 4458-020-007 and -016, Malibu Civic Center area, Malibu; (b) authorizing a grant of those funds to the City of Malibu or in the alternative authorizing assignment of the grant to the City of Malibu, and (c) authorizing the execution of all documents required by the Wildlife Conservation Board pursuant to the conditions of the grant.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Conservancy adopt the attached resolution authorizing (a) a grant agreement with the Wildlife Conservation Board for the acquisition of APN's 4458-020-007 and -016, Malibu Civic Center area, Malibu; (b) authorizing a grant of those funds to the City of Malibu or in the alternative authorizing assignment of the grant to the City of Malibu, and (c) authorizing the execution of all documents required by the Wildlife Conservation Board pursuant to the conditions of the grant; contingent upon review by the Office of the Attorney General.

Legislative Authority: Section 33204(c) of the Public Resources Codes, which states in part:

The conservancy may, in accordance with the priorities of the plan, do the following: . . . (c) Award grants to state agencies, cities, counties, resource conservation districts, and park and recreation districts for the purpose of acquiring sites identified as necessary for park, recreation, or conservation purposes and for development of essential related public facilities.

Section 79572 (a) (2) of the Water Code, Proposition 50, which states in part:

Acquisition, protection, and restoration of coastal watershed and adjacent lands located in Los Angeles, Ventura, and Santa Barbara Counties. Any project financed pursuant to this paragraph within the Santa Monica Mountains Zone, as defined in Section 33105 of the Public Resources Code, shall be by grant from the Wildlife Conservation Board to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy. . . .

Background: The attached documents from the City of Malibu for this item and for Agenda Item 13 describe the project in detail. Pursuant to the provisions of Proposition 50, the

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Conservancy is a necessary party to the Wildlife Conservation Board's (WCB) proposed participation in the aggregated funding that the City needs to purchase the 19.7-acre Malibu Civic Center area property. WCB will consider the grant at their November 17 meeting.